

**Kentucky Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council**  
**Finance Committee                      April 23, 2008**  
**Small Conference Room, 100 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort**

**Council Members:** John Basham (by telephone), Rita Brooks, Rebecca Garrett, Gayla Hayes, Robert Hicks, Steve Liles, Steve Lyons, Betty Jo Moss (Chair), Jan Powe, Steve Shannon

**Staff:** Michele Blevins, Christie Penn, Melissa Runyon

**Guests:** Ron Ashton, Robert Booth, Melissa Crowdus, Ganesh Jackson

TOPIC	OUTCOME	NEXT STEPS
<b>Call to Order and Introductions</b>	The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves.	
<b>Approval of 2/1/08 Meeting Summary</b>	The summary of the February 1, 2008 meeting was reviewed. Staff commented that one person's name was misspelled. Steve Liles made a motion to approve the revised meeting summary. Steve Shannon seconded and the motion carried.	Staff will make noted correction.
<b>Current Budget Status</b>	<p><u>Federal MH Block Grant Allocation</u></p> <p>Michele Blevins reported that the Department received notice of Kentucky's FFY 2008 Block Grant allocation on March 28<sup>th</sup>. The total allocation is \$5,369,455. This is \$69,917 less than FFY 2007, which is a decrease of 1.3%. The total <i>(for all states/territories)</i> Mental Health Block Grant allotment was decreased by 1.7%.</p> <p>Michele explained that to contract federal funds received in an appropriate and planned way; funds received by KDMHMRS for the FFY are typically expended during the following SFY. Thus we will expend most or all of these funds in SFY 2009 (July 1, 2008- June 30, 2009).</p> <p>As a reminder:  <i>The State Fiscal Year (SFY) begins July 1 of the preceding year and ends on June 30 of the year (e.g., SFY 2008 is the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008). The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) begins October 1 of the preceding year and ends on September 30 of the year (e.g., FFY 2008 is the period October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008).</i></p>	

	<p><u>State Budget</u></p> <p>Michele explained that the legislature did pass a biennium budget which was forwarded to the Governor and Executive Branch. However, unlike any budget in the past, the Legislature added at the end of the bill a Section that essentially charged the Governor with cutting approximately \$189 million dollars.</p> <p>The Governor's Office and Cabinet level financial analysts are currently working to make these reductions and determine exactly how to implement yet still remain within the provisions outlined in the budget bill. While some Department staff have been involved in discussions around "impact scenarios," no definitive decisions have been made, nor specific budget numbers passed down to the Department or Division level yet.</p> <p>Steve Shannon recommended that members review the Health and Family Services section of the Budget Bill (HB 406) Analysis. It provides details about appropriations and expenditures.</p>	<p>This link will take you to the Budget bill Analysis. <a href="http://www.lrc.ky.gov/budget/08RS/E_analysis.htm#E_senate">http://www.lrc.ky.gov/budget/08RS/E_analysis.htm#E_senate</a>. It is suggested that you look for most recent date and note the number of pages if printing.</p>
<b>Review of Finance Committee Recommendations</b>	<p>Members reviewed their Recommendations put forth at the February meeting. Rebecca Garrett made a motion to keep the recommendations as they exist in the meeting summary. Steve Liles seconded and the motion carried.</p> <p>Rita Brooks made a motion to spend time at the next meeting reviewing how the Council can cut costs. Gayla Hayes seconded and the motion carried.</p>	<p>Staff will note agenda item for subsequent committee meeting.</p>
<b>MHBG Funded Entity Report: Mental Health and Aging Coalition</b>	<p>As background information for block grant funds allocated for MH and Aging Coalitions, Michele Blevins provided members with an overview of various programs, funding and performance measures relevant to mental health and aging. Members were provided with handouts of SFY 2008 block grant plan excerpts of narrative and performance indicators, as well as Adult Branch activities relative to this population.</p> <p>Phyllis Parker, Adult MH Branch Manager provided members with information about how MH Block Grant funds (\$20,000) are used to support the state level Mental Health and Aging Coalition and the ten local Coalitions.</p>	

	<p>The Division established the Coalition because older adults are the fastest growing segment of the population and because this group is often underserved and/or misdiagnosed. The Coalition brings together state and local leaders on behalf of older adults and their caregivers. They seek to improve the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being of older adults through a holistic approach, and to address access barriers to mental health services for older adults. If mental health needs are met, often their physical health improves. Coalition members also provide trainings on the mental health care of older adults. Kentucky's Coalition is a member of the National Coalition on Mental Health and Aging.</p> <p>John Basham recommended members of the Kentucky Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council recruit older adults to serve on the Council. Several members reminded him that several currently serve.</p>	
<b>Other Business</b>	<p>Melissa Crowdus (meeting guest) asked that the Finance Committee consider adding to their list of recommendations that, as the budget is being reviewed, programs that support parents and family members be cut before programs that provide services to mental health consumers.</p> <p>Committee members recommended continuing to support services that are effective rather than delineating between consumer services and parent/family services.</p> <p>Rita Brooks recommended that the Committee begin reviewing the reports/outcomes of each region.</p>	Staff will note agenda item for future committee meeting.
<b>Adjournment</b>	Rebecca Garrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m. Steve Lyons seconded and the motion carried.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p><b>June 25<sup>th</sup></b>  1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Small Conference Room  DMHMRS, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  Frankfort</p>	